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DESTRUCTION WEAPONS (MDW) PROPOSAL

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1. UK DELOFFS TAYLOR AND WHITE MET WITH U.S. DELOFFS
NOV 12 TO DISCUSS SOVIET MDW PROPOSAL (REFTEL A).

TAYLOR SAID SOVIET MFA OFFICIAL ISSRAELYAN HAD TOLD
THOMSON OF FCO ON NOV 11 THAT SOVIET PROPOSAL WAS NOT
INTENDED TO COVER WEAPONS OR SYSTEMS BEING DEALT WITH IN
SALT. (ISSRAELYAN REPORTEDLY SAID SPECIFICALLY THAT
B-ONE AND TRIDENT WOULD BE EXCLUDED FROM MDW CONSIDERATION.)
WHITE NOTED THAT ISSRAELYAN'S STATEMENT RE SALT
CONTRADICTED SOVIET PRESENTATION TO EC-9, WHICH, AS HE
RECALLED, HAD SPECIFICALLY REFERRED TO CRUISE MISSILES.
STATEMENT ALSO CONTRADICTS ROSHCHIN STATEMENT TO
UK AMB ALLEN OCT 27 (REFTEL B).
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- 2. TAYLOR, DRAWING ON INSTRUCTIONS (WHICH HE NOTED WERE SENT BEFORE THOMSON'S TALK WITH ISSRAELYAN) THEN REPORTED THAT UK ENVISAGED TWO ALTERNATIVE APPROACHES TO MDW RESOLUTION BY WESTERN ALLIES. ONE WOULD BE TO ABSTAIN ON SOVIET RESOLUTION WITH EXPLANATION OF VOTE, WHICH HE ANTICIPATED WOULD HAVE TO BE RELATIVELY POSITIVE AS FAR AS UK WAS CONCERNED. OTHER APPROACH WOULD BE TO ACCEPT PRINCIPLE OF EXAMINING GENERAL PROBLEM BY SEEKING AMENDED AND ESSENTIALLY PROCEDURAL RESOLUTION. UK INSTRUCTIONS (WHICH TAYLOR SHOWED DELOFFS) SUGGESTED AS POSSIBLE AMENDMENTS REPLACING PRESENT OPERATIVE PARAGRAPHS WITH PARAGRAPHS "REQUESTING THE CCD (OR UN AD HOC GROUP) (A) TO EXAMINE WAYS IN WHICH INTERNATIONALLY AGREED RESTRAINTS MIGHT BE DEVISED FOR THE PURPOSE OF AVERTING ANY THREAT OF MORE TERRIBLE OR INDISCRIMINATE NEW WEAPONS AND (B)IN THIS CONNECTION TO CONSIDER IN PARTICULAR THE METHODOLOGY OF FORECASTING FUTURE POSSIBLE WEAPONS DEVELOPMENTS." TAYLOR SAID HE HAD NO FURTHER INFORMATION TO CLARIFY LONDON'S INTENTIONS, PARTICULARLY WITH REGARD TO SECOND ELEMENT OF THEIR SUGGESTED AMENDMENT.
- 3. TAYLOR REQUESTED U.S. VIEWS ON AMENDMENT OF SOVIET RESOLUTION ALONG ABOVE LINES. BENNETT $\,$

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